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ENGINEER AND BRAKEMAN BLAMED

With Accidental Carelessness in Trinidad Affair

The death of William G. Taylor, the brakeman who was killed while trying to cut out the air between a locomotive and box car in the local Santa Fe yards several days ago, was due to the joint carelessness of the engineer and head brakeman on the rolling stock instrumental in the incurrence of his fatal injuries. This is the sum and substance of the verdict returned late yesterday afternoon by a coroner's jury impaneled by J. H. Guilfoil to investigate the cause of death.

While the verdict returned fixes carelessness as the cause of death, this does not mean that it was criminal carelessness; merely accidental carelessness, but carelessness, nevertheless, sufficient to bring about a fatal termination. For the reason, mainly, that neither the engineer nor brakeman will be held directly responsible for the death of Taylor, their names will not be made public by this paper.

It was held by the coroner's jury that the locomotive should not have been backed up without a signal from the head brakeman; and, further, that the head brakeman, after seeing the engine backing, and the position of the man killed between the cars, should have signalled the engineer to stop or run more slowly.—Trinidad Advertiser.

Mr. Taylor made his home here and had many friends who regret his terrible death.

HARD TRIP FOR AUTOMOBILE

A trip that will long stand as remarkable in automobile lore was that made yesterday from Raton, N. M., by William Shaw, proprietor of the Coronado billiard rooms, in his Franklin automobile. He was accompanied on the trip by Judge E. S. Bright.

The roads are almost impassable owing to the melting snow, and in places a mile at a time the mud is as deep as the water. Farmers along the line said that the trip could not be made, and one with heavy horses followed the machine much of the way, expecting a call to "hitch on and pull us to Trinidad."

The machine stood up nobly, however, and plowed through the sea of mud like a duck takes to water. This in spite of the fact that the wheels were not chain wrapped to prevent skidding.

The run was made in two hours and fifteen minutes and is a wonderful achievement considering the obstacles in the way of highways that the machine had to buck against.—Chronicle-News.

MEN IN TRAIN SERVICE OPPOSE TWO CENT FARE BILL

The legislative committee, representing the order of locomotive engineers, railroad firemen, conductors and trainmen, has decided to throw the influence of these unions against the adoption of the bill, pending in the state legislature that will require the railroads in Michigan to carry passengers for two cents per mile, says a telegraphic dispatch from Grand Rapids. At the last session of the committee it was held that in states where such a law has been passed the opportunities to work have been reduced through the curtailment of train service, an instance being the abolishing of Sunday excursions, and that in some states where such a law has been passed the railroads were better able to stand the reduction of fares than in Michigan.

HOW WILL CIMARRON MEN LOOK IN THIS GARB?

London, March 7.—The "Princess" style, so long popular among women for their gowns, is advocated by reform tailors, who say men should have more attractive and comfortable garments. While they give the name "Princess" to the new style, it is in reality but a development of the union suit idea.

Sample suits have been made showing the coat, trousers and vest all made in one piece. The ordinary lines of division between the three are simulated by heavy seams. Coat tails are cleverly arranged to hang loosely, giving the idea of a separate coat.

The tailors claim the advantage of increased comfort and a big saving in time for their new suits, and they say the unity of the three garments gives the tout ensemble effect impossible with separate garments.

AUTO RECORDS WERE BROKEN

The record for automobile driving across country was broken on Saturday, when E. C. Sperry drove his Reo machine from Raton to Dawson in one hour and thirty-five minutes, and from Cimarron to Raton in two hours and fifteen minutes. This was done with three men in the car—E. C. Crampton, Charles Colgrove and Mr. Sperry.

The Trinidad Advertiser has coined a new one when it calls a party supper "a tasty round of refreshments."

CIMARRON YOUNG MEN ORGANIZE ATHLETIC CLUB

Last Friday evening the young men called a meeting in Aztec hall for the purpose of organizing an athletic club in Cimarron. Jack Records, master mechanic of the St. Louis, Rocky Mountain & Pacific, called the meeting to order, and nominations called for temporary chairman and secretary.

Nominations were then called for a president of the association. Frederic Whitney was nominated and unanimously elected. The following officers were elected by acclamation: J. W. Records, vice president; H. Griebel, secretary; Norman Wilkins, treasurer.

A committee of seven was then appointed as a baseball committee, this committee to include the captain of the baseball nine, he to be appointed by the other six. At the suggestion of E. J. Belton the following were appointed: Ira Duckworth, Jas. Lail, Fred Whitney, Alex Livingston, Wm. Rupert and Norman Wilkins.

A committee of three was then appointed to draw up the by-laws and constitution for the association. On this committee were Messrs. J. A. Haimbaugh, Jas. Lail and Wm. Rupert.

Another committee of three was appointed to negotiate for a building. S. E. Pelphrey, Frederic Whitney and Chas. Scott were appointed.

Next in order came the ways and means committee. J. W. Records, John Littrell, Ira Duckworth and H. Griebel were appointed.

And last but not least the entertainment committee to arrange for a big dance and other entertainment on the night of March 16th. Prior to the dance there will be wrestling and boxing matches. So bear in mind the date, March 16, for that is the gala day. Get out your new buggies, boys, and your fast horses, get here early and don't miss a minute of the good time. On the entertainment committee are J. W. Records, Neal Conley, and Chas. Lowman.

A prize fight will also be arranged for in the near future, the proceeds to help build a modern club house. The following were enrolled as members: Fred Whitney, Ira Duckworth, Eugene Keep; J. W. Records, Norman Wilkins, Robert Barr, captain of baseball team, E. J. Belton, John Peden, Egbert Boyd, Ralph Mann, W. L. Rupert, Jesse Littrell, J. R. Littrell, Thos. Vest, Joe Dally, C. M. Lowman, Geo. McClellan, Al Davis, D. B. Cole, J. P. Daley, M. N. Winters, E. G. Winters, H. Griebel, Alex Livingston, F. O. Haimbaugh and S. W. Pelphrey.

All Important Machine Legislation Tacked on to Appropriation Bill as Riders

The only really extraordinary event of the present session of the New Mexico Legislature occurred Tuesday afternoon, when the house passed the general appropriation bill for the running expenses of the territory and all its institutions for the ensuing two years, and tacked on all the machine legislation which has been discussed this term. This is the last and supreme effort of the machine to get through the District Attorney's bill and the numerous public printing measures which have had no show to pass the Council. The attorney's bill, a printing bill, an immigration agent bill, \$6,500 for Spanish printing, a new Coal Oil Inspection bill, a bill to provide for the revision of the laws, and spending fourteen thousand dollars in salaries and eleven thousand dollars in expenses for the commission of six men who are named by the bill. Clarence T. Stockton is named as coal oil inspector for this district without his sanction. The Miners' Hospital gets an appropriation of \$13,000.

In order to railroad through the legislation which is directly aimed at Governor Hagerman, the House is willing to jeopardize all prospects of appropriations for territorial expenses for the next two years. It is almost certain that the council will not pass the appropriation bill with all the riders, which are characterized as high-handed attempts at coercion.

Baits of all kinds are thrown out in the bill as passed by the house. Members of the families of influential members of the Council are slated for appointments, and other men are named on commissions at good salaries because of service already rendered. The appropriation provisions are so liberal to all interests concerned, that its purpose is flagrantly apparent. Every effort has been made to bribe and influence all interests possible, in order to get the bill through with the riders. Special baits are laid for the Bernalillo and Colfax Councilmen who have been opposing the District Attorney's bill.

EDITOR-JUDGE ASSAULTED AT SPRINGER

[Special Dispatch to the Morning Journal.] SPRINGER, N. M., March 7.—Editor J. F. Hutchinson, of the Springer Stockman, who is also justice of the peace, was assaulted and badly beaten up here by Bob Winburn, as the result of the arrest of Winburn's younger brother, who was fined \$25 and costs by the justice for sending obscene letters to school girls in Springer. After the trial Bob Winburn went to Hutchinson's office and without warning struck him a terrific blow in the face, knocking the editor down. As Hutchinson fell his head hit a projection of the woodwork, inflicting injuries so serious that he has been in bed ever since.

A warrant was at once sworn out, charging Bob Winburn with assault with intent to murder, and after a hearing in Raton, Judge Bayne bound Winburn over to appear for trial under \$1,000 bond, which was furnished. It is said this is not the first time the younger Winburn has been in trouble on the same charge.

Editor of The Albuquerque Morning Journal, Albuquerque, New Mexico:

Dear Sir—In regard to an article in your paper of March 8, 1907, under the heading "Editor-Judge Is Assaulted at Springer," will say that your correspondent has been badly mistating facts. In the first place young Winburn was not arrested for sending obscene letters, but had written a note to other boys that by second party was passed to a girl in school, and it was proven at the preliminary hearing that there was not an obscene word in the note.

However, Mr. Hutchinson saw fit to impose a fine of twenty-five dollars (\$25) and costs; young Winburn being a minor his brother, Bob Winburn, appealed the case and offered bond of \$2,000 for his release signed by good responsible parties. It was refused by the officers and the assault followed later, not in Mr. Hutchinson's office as stated, but in the Floersheim Mercantile company's store where the parties met by accident.

Bob Winburn waived preliminary examination before Judge Bayne at Raton and was released on five hundred dollars (\$500) bond to appear for trial.

Young Winburn has not been in trouble on similar charges before, and the whole affair appears to be spite work from the very start. H. C.

Card of Thanks

We desire to thank our sympathetic friends and neighbors for their kindly ministrations during the illness and death of John Green.

BRUTAL TREATMENT OF CIMARRON WOMAN

Mrs. Eugene Keep, who came here a short time ago with her husband and her brother, Ira Duckworth, was brutally assaulted on last Friday night by a man named Phelps, and is still suffering from the nervous shock and bodily injury inflicted by her assailant.

Mrs. Keep, who lives with her husband in a tent, awaiting the erection of a home, was alone when the man entered. He struck her several times, choked her and otherwise roughly handled her, but was frightened by her screams and left her unconscious.

Mrs. Keep was found a few moments after the man left, and given careful attention. A number of men immediately began searching for Phelps, but were unable to find him. Another suspect left for Maxwell City about the time the assault was committed. Phelps was arrested in Raton by Sheriff Littrell, and is being held there until Mrs. Keep is able to appear against him. He is a peddler who has been here for some days, and is understood to be a married man.

Death of John Green.

John Green aged 16 died at the Heck ranch at 2:30 a. m., Saturday, March 9th, after a short illness of two weeks. The cause of death was pneumonia. John Green was the son of Justice and Katharine Heck Green and a grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Mathias Heck.

The funeral took place from the Catholic church at 3:30 p. m. Sunday. There was many beautiful floral pieces received, and although a young boy, he was very popular and very much respected, twenty-two carriages followed the hearse in from the ranch and many more waiting at the church. The pall bearers were Messrs. Fred and Jean Lambert, Ed. and Henry Scherrer, Ralph Vance and Tom Baugh, all young men friends of the deceased.

CHICO SPRINGS TO HAVE SANATORIUM

The Chico Springs Sanatorium company are among the new incorporators of the territory. Incorporators, S. Strong, Silver City; William Von Bruggen, Chico; Arthur L. Mix, Maxwell City. Object, conducting health resorts and ranches. Capital stock, \$150,000, divided into 15,000 shares at 10 cents a share; \$2,000 capital stock already subscribed. Duration, 49 years. Territorial agent, William Von Bruggen, Chico, N. M.

REPRESENTATIVE AND MRS. ABBOTT ENTERTAIN

Representative and Mrs. H. C. Abbott, of Springer, entertained at the Palace hotel on Thursday evening at a delightful card party, followed by an elaborate banquet. The event was one of the most successful social functions during the present session of the Legislative Assembly. The fore part of the evening was taken up with cards, five hundred being the game. This was played at nine tables in the parlors of the hotel, the honors of the evening going to Mrs. S. G. Cartwright and Judge John R. McFie. At 11 o'clock cards were laid aside and the guests repaired to the banquet room, where an elegant luncheon was served. Pink and white carnations were used profusely on the table and plates were laid for fifty. At one end of the festive board sat President Charles A. Spiess, of the Council, while at the other Speaker Baca held forth.—New Mexican.

NEBRASKANS REDUCE FARES

Lincoln, Neb., March 7.—The two cent per mile railroad law, which went into effect in Nebraska today, was signed by Governor Sheldon only a few minutes before midnight, when it would have become a law without the governor's signature. While Governor Sheldon stands for certain railroad reforms, he expressed himself during his campaign and since his inauguration as believing that a two cent fare would mean confiscation in many cases.

He said today: "No one will say that I am a railroad tool because I oppose a reduction to two cents per mile by the legislature. The railroads fought me at every turn during this campaign and their opposition to me is well known. I do not now and I did not in my campaign believe in the passage of a two cent fare law. I do not believe that such a law is likely to stand the test of the courts in all cases. It might do so on the big lines, but there are smaller roads in the state on which the earnings are so small that the law would be declared inoperative because not compensatory."

"A former legislature of Nebraska passed a minimum freight rate law in a general attack upon the freight rates and the law was declared inoperative because its enforcement failed to yield to the railroads a fair return upon the investment of the owners. In like manner an arbitrary reduction of passenger rates by the legislature is likely to lead to the same mistake of attempting to get the whole loaf and failing to get any at all."

"In freight rates it is the same as with passenger rates. A direct attempt to arbitrarily reduce them would result in the same failure to obtain a reduction which is fair and possible to obtain."

At the last moment the governor signed the bill, not because he believed in its justness, but, as he expressed it: "I am a firm believer in the principles of representative legislation. For that reason I signed the bill, not wishing to take any stand which would invalidate the desire of the majority."

New Mexico Pharmacists.

The New Mexico Board of Pharmacy convened in Santa Fe last week and the following druggists appeared before the board: C. C. Pegg, Amarillo, Texas; Dr. G. A. V. Hackney, San Marcial; Columbus Talbot, Portales; P. L. Stanton, Alamogordo; L. D. Stowe, Raton; S. O. Brown, Santa Fe; E. C. Ottwell, Albuquerque; S. W. Keller and F. W. Sipt, of Las Vegas.

ALABAMA QUAIL FOR NEW MEXICO

A shipment of Alabama quail, which will be liberated on the game preserves of C. G. Hudson and Roderic Stover, near Padilla, were received by these gentlemen last week. Messrs. Hudson and Stover hope in this way to give the birds a chance to multiply and replenish the country adjacent to their preserves with game for shooting a few years later.

CATTLE MEN KILLING OFF SHEEP

War Between Wyoming Livestock Men Range Rivalry

Sheridan, Wyo., March 9.—Northern Wyoming is again threatened with a range war between the cattle and sheep men. Closely following the attack on the Wisner camp last week, when 400 head of sheep were killed and the camp burned, comes the report of a similar outrage in the Owl Creek country. The Sugh Dickey camp was attacked by twelve masked men.

The raiders drove off the herders, fired the camp and began shooting sheep. Out of a total of 8,000 sheep, 1,000 have disappeared and are supposed to have been killed.

The cattlemen had marked out a "dead line" and the Dickey sheep were a mile over it.

The war will probably spread to other camps and further trouble is likely to occur.

When the sheep men first entered northern Wyoming, one of the fiercest wars in the history of the western range was precipitated. The cattlemen were up in arms for several months and dozens of men on both sides were killed, either from ambush or in open fights. The sheep men were driven below the cattlemen's "dead line" for a time, but under protection of the officers of the law soon spread towards the north. The cattlemen lost considerable of the range which they claimed by right of occupancy. The sheep men, it is said, have gradually encroached upon the range until the cattlemen are in danger of being driven therefrom.

Following the first slaughter of sheep by cattlemen, the sheep owners armed their herders, and these men showed equal bravery and coolness in the defense of their flocks. The result of the present trouble is problematical, but the bloodshed of former days is not expected, as each side has too much fear of retaliation upon the part of the other.

In Memory of John Heck.

Born December 11, 1890; died March 9, 1907; aged 16 years and 8 months.

After a sickness of eight days this promising young life succumbed to pneumonia. All that was possible was done by loving hands, but death claimed his own.

The pride and hope of his aged grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Mathias Heck, with whom he had lived for many years, he proved himself worthy of their confidence by constant faithfulness and integrity. This was a rare union of all those qualities that make a fine manly character. He was loved and respected by his friends for his honor and uprightness. It is sad that he should be taken just at the beginning of so much usefulness. His bravery and endurance were evidence to the last in the way in which he fought against the ravages of the insidious disease, but at last, overcome by the cruel malady, he gave up the struggle and sank peacefully to rest about 2:30 o'clock Saturday morning. He was buried in the cemetery at Cimarron on Sunday afternoon. A large procession of sympathizing friends followed the bereaved family to his last resting place.

The funeral services were conducted by Father Cellier at the little church near the cemetery. The sorrowing family has the heartfelt sympathy of the entire community in their affliction.

PRESIDENT WON'T BE THERE.

Phoenix, Ariz., March 8.—In a letter received by Gov. Kibbey, President Roosevelt stated he would not be able to attend the Rough Riders' reunion in Prescott in June and the dedication of Borghlum's statue of Capt. "Buckie" O'Neill.